Miraculous Ladybug: Harpies know

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[Note: this story is based on a comic I found on Pinterest] When Marinette is isolated from her friends thanks to Lilia and her lies, Adrien is the last person in the school who trusts her. However, will the truth come to life with a girl is Akumatized into a harpy themed villain with the power to force someone to tell the truth?

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Out cast

When Marinette reached school in the morning, the first thing she noticed was everyone staring at her with hateful expressions.

"Great, I wonder what Lila told them this time," thought Marinette as she went to the lockers, but found Alya waiting for her.

"What's your problem, girl?" asked Alya.

"Lila just told everyone that you attacked her on Saturday," she said as Marinette brushed past her and to her locker.

"I was working at the bakery that whole day which Lila never showed up to, and my parents can vouch for that," said Marinette while grabbing some books from her locker.

"But why should I even waste my breath to tell you that?" she asked while slamming the door shut and turning to look at the other girl.

"Of course you're going to believe someone you have only known a few months over your whole life, right?" asked Marinette before storming off.

"Why can't that girl just admit that she's wrong about Lilia?" asked Alya.

"Why can't you see how much you're hurting her?" asked Adrien as he came around the corner of some lockers.

"Are you really on her side?" asked Alya while glaring at the model.

"I asked my father and he has no clue who Lilia is and neither does Ladybug who saved me the other day during that Akuma attack," said Adrien.

"Also, you know that Marinette is friends with Jagged Stone so asking him about Lilia is easy," said the blonde model as he started to walk away.

"But like Marinette said, why trust someone you have known your whole life over a complete stranger who showed up and started saying things without any proof at all?" asked Adrien while leaving a stunned Alya.

Cheating accusations

Later that day, Marinette was eating lunch by herself with everyone staring at her when Adrien approached.

"Mind if I sit with you?" he asked.

"Sure, that you want to sit with the school pariah?" asked Marinette who heard some kids saying something about her but turning the other way when she went to look at them.

"Not at all," said Adrien while sitting down.

"After all, I trust you more than anyone else in this place right now," he said with a genuine smile which got Marinette to smile a little. Over at Lilia's table, she was staring at the two with a mixture of hate and anger.

"Don't pay them any attention, Lilia," said Alya who was sitting with her along with Nino and a couple of others.

"They don't deserve it," she said.

"Instead, why don't you tell us why Marinette assaulted you?" asked another girl. They were talking loud enough that the future designer was able to hear, but she didn't turn to give them any acknowledgement.

"Well I just went to confront her about cheating off Sophia on the last science test," said Lilia, all of her hatred and anger instantly benign switched with concern and worry.

"What?!" asked a furious Marinette as she slammed her hands down on the table while standing.

"I've never cheated a day in my life!" she said.

"Please don't hit me again!" said Lilia as she coward away and hid her face behind her arms. She did this more so to hide her smile than anything else as Marinette just fell for her plan.

"Miss. Dupain-Cheng, to my office, now," said Mr. Damocles.

"You know, her science grade was always low, so it does raise the question why it went up… ," said Alya before Adrien cut her off.

"Because I've been helping her study after school, but you would know that if you were still her friend and not some lackey to a liar," said the blonde before storming out. With this, no one in the room noticed an Akuma land on Sofia's bracelet as they were too shocked by the model's words.

Harpy

In Mr. Damocles's office, Marinette was being yelled at by him.

"I had believed you to be a good student, Miss. Dupain-Cheng," said Mr. Damocles who was sitting behind his desk, rubbing his brow out of frustration.

"However, ever since Miss. Rossi arrived, your attitude has been incomprehensible, and now you are yelling at her in the middle of the cafeteria, assaulting her outside of the school, and even cheating off of other students," he said.

"Have you ever thought to stop and think that maybe she's lying to you and everyone else seeing how out of character that is for me?" asked Marinette. Before another word could be said, the sound of terrified screams could be heard from outside.

"What now?" asked Mr. Damocles as he went out to see what was going on.

"Oh no," said Marinette who had followed. Down on the first floor, a harpy villain was standing in front of Mylene who looked to be in a trance, answering questions that the villain was giving her.

"An Akuma," said Marinette as she went to sneak away, but knocked over a book which made a loud noise once it hit the bottom floor.

"Marinette," said Harpy as she turned to face the girl.

"Not good," thought Marinette as she went to run, but found Harpy to be faster.

"Time to face the truth," said Harpy who had grabbed hold of Marinette's shoulders and pulled her up into the air with the talons on her feet. However, the fabric on the shoulders of her shirt was not strong enough so it ripped under the weight of her body.

"Got you," said Ivan as he caught Marinette.

"Thanks," said Marinette while crossing her arms before her chest to hold her shirt in place.

"You're bleeding," said Mylene as she noticed some scratches from Harpy's talons on Marinette's back.

"It'll heal once… ," said Marinette before Harpy swooped in and knocked her back down onto the ground.

"Now then, let's try that again," said Harpy while using her claws to pin Marinette to the floor. At the same time, she was hypnotizing the young designer.

Truths come to light

"Why do you keep calling Lilia a liar?" asked Harpy while holding Marinette down in place in order to keep her from running.

"Because she's always lying," said Marinette.

"Why did you hurt her?" asked Harpy.

"I never touched Lilia, in fact it was her who hurt me," said Marinette, which got a few people whispering with confusion.

"She cornered me in the bathroom, took all of my friends away, and got them to hate me," she said before going on to say how Lilia even got Akumatized on purpose a few times.

"Have you ever lied to anyone?" asked Harpy while tilting her head slightly and anger growing in her expression.

"I lied about the macrons for Hero's Day and to Adrien about the scarf for his birthday which he believed was from his father but was actually from me," said Marinette which shocked the model before he snuck off to transform.

"I see," said Harpy before leaving Marinette to find Lilia. This also had the effect of releasing Marinette from the hypnotic state.

"What… what happened, oh, I… I need to go," said Marinette as she stood up and rushed out of the school before ducking into an ally.

"Are you alright, Mari?" asked a worried Tikki who flew out of her purse.

"Let's just transform and get this over with," said Marinette before transforming. Ladybug then came into the school, managing to kick Harpy in the face as Cat Noir tried talking to her.

"Let's finish this quickly, I have other things to do today," said Ladybug.

Take down

"Lucky Charm!" said Ladybug as she swung the yo-yo into the air. The item she received was a sticky hand slapper.

"How am I supposed to use this?" asked Ladybug while holding the toy by the end of its string, making it bounce while dangling from her hand.

"Oh, let me try, I was good with these as a kid," said an excited Cat Noir. Before Ladybug could remark she saw him, the sticky hand, and a bracelet on Harpy's hand glowing in a ladybug theme.

"Alright, aim for the bracelet," said Ladybug. And as if it was nothing, Cat Noir threw the sticky hand which easily stuck to the bracelet, and he pulled them both back to them.

"Here you are, my lady," he said while handing it over. But Ladybug just took the bracelet and broke it before catching the Akuma and undoing all the damage.

"What… what happened?" asked Sophia as she looked around.

"You were Akumatized, but there's something you need to see," said a guy while holding his phone.

"You recorded that whole thing?" asked another guy.

"I thought we would catch Marinette in another lie, but what we got was something even more shocking," said the first guy as Ladybug left. She managed to sneak back into the alley without anyone noticing.

"With this your friends should start coming back to you, Marinette," said Tikki while taking a cookie from her charge.

"Yeah, but the damage for some is just too much," said Marinette.

"To the point that even a Miraculous Ladybug can't fix it if you ask me," she said as tears began to roll down her cheeks. After Tikki had eaten, she went back into the purse before Marinette headed home.

Still have friends

The following day, the school was closed to give the kids time to recover from the attack and Marinette was in the middle of dealing with a problem.

"Mari, I'm sorry," said Alya who was over at Marinette's place standing at the door to the apartment above the store.

"I should never have believed a word that Lilia said, you are my best friend and that should have meant more than what I took it for," she said.

"But you did, and you did even more than any of the others as you actually tried to hurt me along with her," said Marinette.

"So, as far as I'm concerned our friendship is over, go find a new best friend and never contact me again," she said before slamming the door. Marinette managed to make it to the couch before a knock came from the door.

"Enough, Alya!" she said while storming to the door but opened it to reveal Adrien standing there instead of the mentioned girl.

"Hey, Mari," he said with a slight nervous wave of the hand.

"A… Adrien, I'm so sorry, Alya… ," said Marinette before Adrien cut her off.

"I passed her on my way here, I can imagine how that went so there's no need to apologize to me," said Adrien.

"But I'm not here about that, I'm here to thank you for the scarf," he said.

"You're not upset that it wasn't actually from your dad?" asked Marinette.

"A little, but I'm more upset that I never saw your signature on the edge until last night," said Adrien as he held the scarf in his hands and looked at the signature stitched into the seam.

"I just thought you looked so happy so I couldn't tell you the truth," said Marinette.

"I'm used to him not getting me anything though, and I still don't know how the switch up happened," said Adrien. An awkward silence then fell on them for a minute.

"Hey, would you like to come in and play UMS Three?" asked Marinette while opening the door more.

"Sounds fun," said Adrien with a smile as he walked in.

The End.